

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Akiyo YAMADA et al.

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## **Amendment**

Mail Stop: Non-fee amendments Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 16, 2004, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Should any fees be necessary, please charge such fees or credit any refund to our Deposit Account No. 22-0261.

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